

# Beaverton Police

# ***MEDIA RELEASE***



Release Date: **02-18-04**

Follow-up Contact: **Officer Mark Hyde**

Office Phone: **526-2275**

Digital Pager: **229-1617**

Beaverton Police Dept.  
David G. Bishop, Chief  
4755 S.W. Griffith Drive  
P.O. Box 4755  
Beaverton, OR 97076-4755  
(503) 526-2260  
Fax # (503) 526-2541

Police are continuing the investigation into a three vehicle collision that sent two people to OHSU hospital.

Police responded to the collision at about 4:30P in the north bound left turn lane from Murray Rd. to SW Farmington Rd.

Officers learned that the operator of a black jeep Cherokee took his eyes off the road and plowed into the rear of a black Subaru who then hit the rear of a Tri-Met LIFT mini bus. The damage to the Subaru was extensive enough that the two occupants had to be extricated from the vehicle by members of Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue.

The mini-bus was being operated by a Laidlaw employee via a contract with Tri-Met. She was identified as Karen Sample 55 years of age. She was not injured and no one else was on the bus.

The jeep was operated by 18 year old Christopher Richey of Beaverton. He was not injured.

The Subaru was driven by 50 year old Merilyn K Schun of Beaverton. She and her unidentified male passenger were taken to OHSU where their condition was unknown.

No citations have been issued. Investigation continuing.